

Barracks

Herrick Archives Number H 213

A. IDENTIFICATION & LOCATION

1. Name

1. 1 Never officially named by Board of Trustees action.

1. 2 Alternate names noted:

Barrack(s) Group

Aviation Barrack(s)

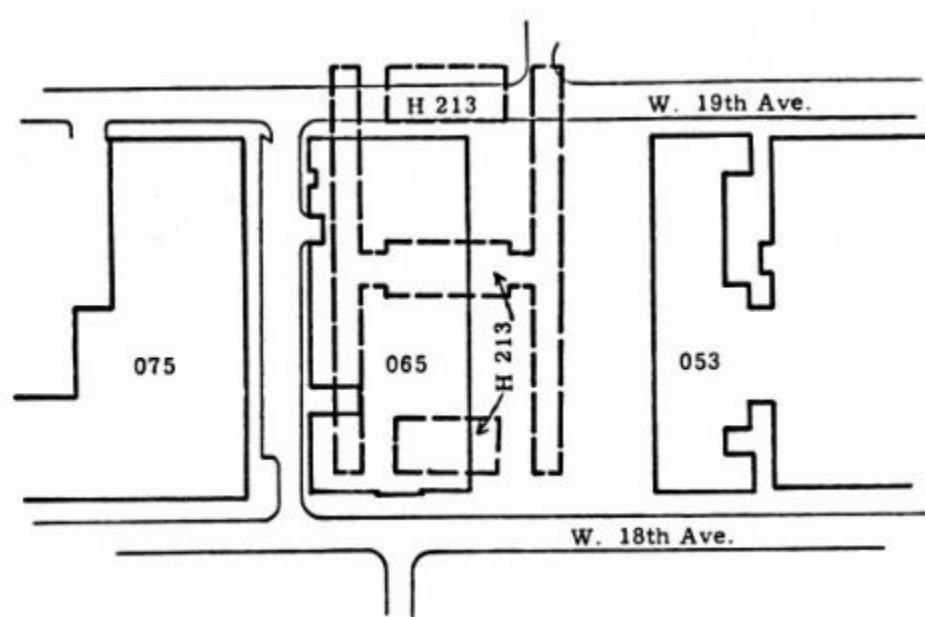
Aviation Barrack(s) Group

2. Location

See Addendum No. 3

See Addendum No. 1

2. 1 Located north of 18th Avenue between McPherson Laboratory (Bldg. 053) and Robinson Laboratory (Bldg. 075). See map below.



For identification of other buildings shown, see Appendix A.

3. General Description

The Barracks Group consisted of three one-story frame barracks buildings.

They totaled 350,000 cubic feet (McC 4: 9A).

B. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION

See Addendum No. 2

1. Plans and related documents for this building were prepared by Joseph N. Bradford. They were reviewed by Cabinet on September 20, 1917, and bids were called for without formal Board action in advance.

2. Bids were received on September 24, 1917.

3. On September 25, 1917 the Cabinet awarded contracts to the following contractors:

General: E. H. Latham

Electrical: O. L. Bowers

Heating & plumbing: Huffman & Conklin

4. The Board of Trustees on October 8, 1917 approved the plans and related documents and approved the award of contracts by Cabinet.

5. Completion and occupancy:

Aviators moved into the Barracks a few days before Christmas vacation in 1917, but the barber shop, tailor shop, and Library were not yet finished (M 9: 5 January 1918).

Because of trouble with a leaky roof, formal acceptance of the building was delayed until August 18, 1918 (McC 3: 151).

C. COST

Carried at \$50,310.06 as of June 30, 1918 (B).

D. DEMOLITION

The building was demolished in 1931 and the site landscaped to form a court between McPherson (Bldg 053) and Robinson (Bldg. 075) (M 23: 8 October 1931).

E. PHOTOGRAPHS

1. In Photoarchives:

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2. Other:

L 2/28/18

McC 3: 134

M 9: 2 (January 1918)

F. MISCELLANEOUS

The building was constructed at the start of World War I to house aviators on campus. Prior to completion of the building, the aviators were quartered in the Armory (H202).

Upon completion of the Men's Physical Education Building (Bldg. O64) in 1931, the Physical Education space in the Armory was released to Military Science, and the Barracks were then razed.

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ADDENDUM NO. 1

Addresses arbitrarily assigned for indexing purposes: 158 West 18th Avenue and 159 West 19th Avenue.

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ADDENDUM NO. 2

1. On 7/3/17 the President and Secretary were instructed by the Board of Trustees to have plans prepared for facilities for the School of unitary Aeronautics, including "a barracks and latrine to accommodate at least 200 aviators and their officers."

2. The Board of Trustees met with the Emergency Board on 9/4/17 to present their request for funds. Action was deferred by the Emergency Board until 9/10/17.

3. The Board of Trustees on 9/7/17 directed the Secretary to appear before the Emergency Board on 9/10/17 with a request for "Frame Barracks similar to those constructed on the Wright Field."

He was further directed, in event of favorable action by the Emergency Board, to request the Governor to waive the requirement for formal bidding.

The President and Secretary were instructed to enter into contracts for construction at once, in event of a favorable response by the Governor.

4. At the 10/2/17 Board of Trustees meeting, it was reported that the Governor had approved the waiving of formal advertising, that plans and specifications had been completed by Joseph N. Bradford, and that bids had been received on 9/24/17.

The Board of Trustees then approved the final plans, specifications, and estimates of cost and approved the award by Cabinet of contracts to the following contractors;

General: E.H. Latham

Heating and plumbing: Huffman - Conklin Co.

Electrical: O.L. Bowers

5. Records in the University Architect's office indicate that purchase orders were issued to those contractors on October 11 and 12, even though construction apparently had already started.

6. Construction of the building began September 26, 1917 (L 9/22/17).

NOTE: This addendum supplements and, in some details, supersedes the account in Part B of this report.

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ADDENDUM NO. 3

Inspection of old campus maps reveals the following additional names for this building:

Aviation School Barracks
Military Barracks
Military Building
Military Science Building

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